

CLAY McKNIGHT BURIED
WITH HONORS AT PEARCE

All honor that a community could possibly bestow upon a departed hero marked the funeral of Clay McKnight, world war veteran, held at Pearce yesterday afternoon.

Sorrowing friends of the deceased and the bereaved family, formed the large assemblage that gathered from the Sulphur Spring valley ranches and neighboring towns, to pay its last respects to one who had given all for the land he loved.

Clay McKnight entered the service from Pearce on October 3rd, 1917. He was placed with the 40th Division and trained at Camp Kearney, California. In June 1918 he was sent overseas with replacement troops, and at Barzy, France, was assigned to Company H, 30th U. S. Infantry. On the morning of August 10th, 1918, Companies H and G were ordered to advance and establish a bridgehead on the north side of the Vesle River, near Villetot. In this charge he was caught in a terrific barrage and was gassed. In the two companies engaged in this charge there were 708 casualties, evidence of a fearful slaughter. On August 12th he was received at the hospital at Marsur-Allier, unconscious, and his case diagnosed as "inhalation of gas and burns of the body." The latter wounds were inflicted by liquid fire. He died August 15th, 1918, and was buried the following day in the American cemetery at Mars, near Nevers.

Speaking of him as a soldier, his commander has written: "He was an excellent soldier, never complaining, and always put his duty to his country first." No greater tribute to him as a defender of his country's principles could possibly be paid.

The finer traits, and the most vivid evidence of his manhood was the praise from the lips of his fellow townsmen. Foremost among these was his devotion to his aged parents. He worked in the mines at Pearce, making his home with the family on a homestead five miles from town. Every day he walked to and from the homestead to his work at the mines, all his earnings going toward the establishing of the homestead, a place where the aged parents could make their home.

Such devotion as displayed by Clay McKnight toward his parents and family cannot be described by the tongue. The full degree can only be grasped by the heart.

As the choir sang "Someday We'll Understand," it was plainly evident that those present fully understood, and though they came to bury him as a soldier and hero of his country, they also buried him as a soldier and hero of God.

The services were held in the Idle Hour theater, filled to overflowing by friends of the deceased. Ex-service men from Wilcox, the Sulphur Spring valley and Tombstone were among those present, paying their last respects to a fallen comrade.

The program was opened by the choir singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." Invocation and address by Rev. A. J. Benedict. Gov. Campbell's message to the family was read by Mr. C. M. Renaud, who also delivered a tribute to the life of Clay McKnight.

Mrs. A. Y. Smith spoke in behalf of the Red Cross organization of that section. Attorney Lyman H. Hays of Wilcox delivered an eloquent address in tribute to the departed hero.

The funeral procession was formed for the march to the cemetery, members of the Clay McKnight Post of Pearce acting as pallbearers. A firing squad was present from the Wilcox Post.

At the cemetery the choir sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus," as the casket was lowered. A closing prayer by Rev. Benedict. A salute by the firing squad. A bugler sounded "taps."

And the body of Clay McKnight had been buried beneath the sod of the land he loved the best, and to which he longed and planned to return.

The bereaved family, in their hour of sorrow, had the united sympathy of their community, and the strong assurance that their beloved son had not given his life in vain.

Governor's Message.

The following message from Gov. Thomas E. Campbell was received by



CLAY McKNIGHT

the parents and family of the deceased.

Rev. R. S. McKnight and family.

Pearce, Arizona.

My Dear Friends:

I deeply regret that official duties keep me from attendance upon the proper ceremonial with which the body of one of the brave sons of Arizona is placed, with all tenderness, under the sod of the land to which he gave the patriot's last measure of devotion. There is a sacredness in such a ceremonial, holy in nature, which well may serve to stimulate thought and action in the ways of patriotic service. The death of Clay McKnight, on the other side of the ocean, was a part of the great sacrifice that was tendered, so freely, bravely and unselfishly, that the Nation might live and that liberty might not perish from the earth.

It is sad when we think that one of our youths is taken before the completion of the ordinary span of human life, but it is possible that in his brave career he did even more than the ordinary man would do in the course of a normal lifetime.

The greatest thing that any man may do is to live well, but next to that the best thing he can do is to die well. Life is limited and its years are few. Sometimes in the course of life there comes a time when there may be a blood sacrifice, an offering upon the altar of our native land that may serve in great degree the homes that are to be protected, the wives and children who must be guarded and the principles of free government that must be maintained now and for the centuries.

Among all the peoples, and especially among us of a Christian land, there is hope of a future, and faith that it shall be such as the lifetime and deeds of the departed one shall have merited. Service to our native land and her institutions, service in guarding the right, surely can be considered as service to God, for it is service to the things that oppose evil and that stand for good.

Therefore, I send you a message, in it a note of sorrow. It is sorrow for the living, for the aged father and mother, brother and sisters and the friends, in whose lives there is a vacancy where once there was cheer and support. But for the dead, for him who has passed on, let us have serene confidence that divine Omnipotence has welcomed him to the greater life, in a higher sphere, where virtue and self-sacrifice have full reward.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS E. CAMPBELL,

Governor.

RAILROAD RATE CASE
TO BE HEARD BEFORE
I. C. C. ON JANUARY 31

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—Appeal of railroads operating in Arizona from the decision of the state corporation commission denying a general increase in rates within the state will be held before Examiner Keene of the interstate commerce commission in Phoenix January 31, next, it was announced today.

The railroads had asked increase in freight rates, passenger fares, as well as a Pullman sur-charge to correspond to increases in interstate rates allowed by the interstate commerce commission. The state corporation commission refused to grant the application and appeal was taken by the carriers.

SIMS OBJECTS TO INSINUATIONS
AGAINST COCHISE, ROAD DEBATE
PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—The lower house of the Arizona legislature today rounded out the week by passing two bills while four others were introduced. Senate and house held a half day session today and then adjourned to Monday morning.

The two completed measures were H. R. No. 12 by Phillips amending the law with reference to descent and distribution of community property and H. R. No. 15, by Wylie, providing that attorneys' fees shall be taxed as costs against the loser in suits involving less than \$20.

In each house was read an editorial entitled "When Economy Is Not Economy." It was offered in the house by the committee on roads and in the senate by Senator Charles E. Larsen of Coconino county. The reading evoked some remarks in the senate by Senator W. P. Sims, Cochise, who found in one paragraph what he construed to be a reflection upon the Warren Commercial Club in a statement that Cochise county having secured all the improved highway it could expect soon from state funds, was now opposed to further use of state funds for road building. Senator Sims said he had no apology to make for the good roads of Cochise county and that no apology could be adequate for the bad roads of Maricopa county.

The senate committee on labor reported favorably S. R. No. 22 to make the securing of labor by fraud a felony and an extraditable offense.

Representative Phillips introduced in the house today a bill amending the law regulating employment of women and children. The change is proposed for the benefit of morning newspapers and provides that boys of not less than 13 years of age may be employed to deliver papers not earlier than 5 a. m. and from then to 7 a. m. The law at present does not permit boys under 18 to deliver papers before 7 a. m.

MARKET AGENT FOR
ARIZONA IS SUGGESTED

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—C. A. McNabb, agent in marketing for the state of New Mexico, believes that Arizona offers a big field for a similar state officer. He has been here this week attending Farm and Home Week at the University, where he spoke.

Mr. McNabb will bolster up the organization of the citrus growers of the Salt river valley while in this state.

The New Mexico marketing expert's most successful work in his home state was the organizing of the Pinto bean growers for co-operative marketing of their crops. Last year 700 car loads of beans were sold through the association.

The organization is state-wide and has branches in every community. It succeeded in making Pinto beans so valuable on the eastern markets that growers there now find decent profits in farming. Before co-operative selling was adopted the Pinto was almost a drug on the market, Mr. McNabb says.

INSANE MAN MADE
LONG TRIP AFOOT

MIAMI, Ariz. Jan. 22.—Some four weeks ago local papers carried a little dispatch from Phoenix to the effect that Joe Shields, an insane man, had escaped and would probably make his way back to his former home—Miami, from the state asylum. Nothing further was heard from the state institution, concerning the escaped inmate.

According to Mrs. Shields of the Garraway Hotel, her husband spent ten days wandering in the hills, was lost and hungry but finally made his way into Miami, afoot all the way from the capital and went to the home of his parents in Key-stone canyon where he stayed for a week visiting them and his wife.

Mrs. Shields says that when he got ready to return he purchased a ticket at a local stage office and went back to the asylum on his own wac-cord. Mrs. Shields says that while her husband has not been mentally responsible since an attack of influenza in 1918, she declares he understands perfectly what he was doing when he left the Phoenix institution. She declares he was homesick to see his relatives and re-

alizing that he could not get a parole to come, took the responsibility on himself and seized the first opportunity to escape.

THREE PACK HORSES
PLUNGE OVER WALL
OF CANYON TRAIL

WILLIAMS, Jan. 22.—The first serious accident in the history of the Bright Angel Trail at the Grand Canyon occurred yesterday morning when three pack horses loaded with hay, grain, provisions, bedding and 116 pounds of TNT for the construction camp at the foot of the trail, where the National Park service is engaged in the erection of a bridge over the Colorado river, went over the wall of the canyon and perished on the rocks below.

Among the horses was a black one recently acquired by Superintendent D. L. Reaburn. This horse was unaccustomed to the trail and had acted badly upon a previous trip. In rounding the first curve immediately below the Kolk Brothers' studio it is supposed either that the pack slipped upon the horse or that he was accidentally prodded from behind, whereupon he turned, reared and plunged off the trail.

The three horses were roped together and in its mad plunge the black horse pulled the other two horses with it. The first horse to go over landed at the second turn, 208 feet below; the second horse landed at the fourth turn, 350 feet below while the third horse did not stop until it had reached the sixth turn in the trail, about 450 feet from where it took the fatal plunge or within a few feet of the tunnel.

The TNT did not explode. Luckily, there were no tourists on the trail at the time the accident occurred.

Later in the morning the regular trail trip down into the canyon was attempted, but the 11 mules carrying the party upon reaching the second turn in the trail, where the mangled body of the first horse lay, refused to pass and the guides abandoned the trip and the party returned to the rim.

FORMER GLOBE MAN
ARRESTED AFTER ROBBERY

GLOBE, Jan. 22.—Claude Bunch, formerly employed as an express messenger on the Arizona Eastern run from Bowie to Globe and who has resided here and engaged in various occupations from time to time, was arrested in Tucson yesterday following the robbery of a mail pouch at Bowie containing, it is thought, several valuable packages of registered mail and money, according to reliable information obtained here yesterday.

Following the robbery of the mail pouch, it was stated by the person who gave the information, Bunch went to a point in New Mexico and wired back to a friend it is thought to establish an alibi, and immediately returned to Bowie and went on to Tucson.

The source of the information states that when officers called at the place where Bunch was stopping, a woman in the house denied that Bunch was there, but a search of the premises revealed the fact that Bunch was hiding there and his arrest followed.

The robbery of the mail pouch occurred Tuesday just prior to the arrival of the east bound Southern Pacific train. The pouch was taken from a truck on the platform and taken a few yards away and looted of its contents.

MAN LEAPS FROM MOVING
TRAIN: GUARD IS FOILED

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—Vandie C. Cockrum, an insane ex-soldier, leaped from a window of a moving train inside the city limits of Banning, Calif., and escaped from Special Officer Alexander McDonald, of Pastime Park, who had been sent to take him to an asylum at Ukiah, California.

Officer McDonald returned to the city Saturday after a fruitless search, of several days' duration. Cockrum was last reported seen in the vicinity of Niland, Cal., and officials are seeking him in that vicinity.

The man was admitted to Pastime Park through an error. It was later found he had escaped from the asylum at Ukiah. Following receipt of word from that institution, he was sent back to California in care of the Tucson officer.

320 ACRES OF LAND ARE
BOUGHT FOR HUGE HOME

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—Plans have been drawn and 320 acres of land two miles southeast of Casa Grande, 120 miles from Tucson, purchased for the erection of a tubercular sanitarium to cost more than \$2,000,000, according to announcement made here Saturday by men interested in the proposition.

It will, when completed, be one of the greatest institutions of its kind in the world. It is to be known as the Universal Tubercular Home, and leading bankers and business men of Casa Grande have united in its support.

Representatives of the trustees of the proposed institution have been working quietly in Tucson for more than two weeks, interesting wealthy men here.

They have, in addition, sent letters to every millionaire in the United States and every financier of Arizona outlining the gigantic scheme and entailing financial aid. Much encouragement has been received.

EIGHT ESCAPE FROM THE
CITY JAIL: FIVE RETAKEN

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—After trying out the board and room at the city jail for several days, eight of the prisoners "folded their tents like the Arabs" and silently stole away about 8 o'clock last night, leaving behind them some 50 or 60 disgruntled cell mates. Five had been recaptured by midnight.

The eight gained an exit by hammering at the ceiling of the "bull pen" until they had cleared away sufficient plaster to pry up several boards of the flooring in the room above—the office of the city assessor. Although the door of the assessor's office would have opened at the simple turn of the night lock, the escaping prisoners took the more spectacular method of making their getaway through the window.

Because of the crowded condition of the city jail it is impossible to place all the prisoners in cells. Those who escaped had been given the freedom of the "bull pen."

BORDERLAND HIGHWAY EASY
BEST WESTBOUND ROUTE SAYS
N. M. GOOD ROADS BOOSTER

BISBEE, Ariz. 22.—There is no reason why westbound tourists should be routed over any other highway than the Borderland. This was the statement of W. R. Holt, one of the members of the Lordsburg, New Mexico, Chamber of Commerce visitors who made a side trip to Bisbee yesterday. They had been to Douglas to return a visit of the Douglas Chamber of Commerce and Mines and took advantage of the opportunity to view the Bisbee-Douglas highway. They returned to their homes in New Mexico last evening.

In addition to Holt, who is the editor of the Lordsburg Liberal, the visiting party included E. Montague, M. P. Walker, F. P. Turner, C. M. Chase, R. M. Reynolds, J. L. Augustine and John Crowell. The Douglas visitors who made the trip with their guests from Lordsburg were George E. Buxton, Ely Martin, George H. Kelly, Clay Hankin, Albert Stacey, J. H. Calvert and A. J. McKinnon.

CALIFORNIA BANKS MAY
SOLVE WARRANT TANGLE

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—"If Arizona bankers don't want to handle our registered warrants, we'll send them to California."

This is the latest suggestion of State Treasurer Earhart with reference to the state's financial situation, and may solve the troublesome question of "Where is the money coming from"—a question which is on the lips of every state executive and of every state employee.

"Arizona banks never did take our registered warrants," said Earhart today. They took them up at face value and then peddled them to California banks. The five per cent interest which the state allows looks pretty good to them over there, and it is entirely possible that the state may be able to make arrangements direct.

WILL INSPECT PRISON

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—Governor Thomas E. Campbell went to Florence today to inspect the state prison. He intended to spend the night in Florence and inspect the Florence-Phoenix highway tomorrow.

CAMPBELL SIGNS THE
MEXICO RESOLUTION

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—Senate Memorial No. 1, calling upon the president and congress of the United States to recognize the republic of Mexico was signed by Governor Campbell late Friday afternoon. It was immediately transmitted to Ernest Hall, secretary of state, with instructions to forward signed copies to President Wilson, the president of the United States senate, the speaker of the house of representatives, and to the three members of the Arizona delegation in congress.

The memorial in question was introduced in the state senate by Senator J. L. Schleimer of Santa Cruz, and was passed by the upper house by a unanimous vote. A few days later it was passed by the lower house, four votes being cast against it.

The bill voices the confidence of the people of Arizona in Alvaro Obregon, the newly elected president of the sister republic, praises him as a man of exceptional ability and a keen understanding of the needs of his people, and asks that the proper steps be taken by the federal government to recognize formally the republic of Mexico, and thereby cement the cordial relations which have sprung up by virtue of the new administration.

OBREGON HOLDS FIRST
MEET WITH NEWSPAPER
MEN: DISCUSSES PETROLEUM

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20.—Petroleum concessions granted by former Mexican governments are being investigated and in future such grants will be made only to individuals and companies in a position to develop the properties involved, said President Obregon to newspaper correspondents last night. This was the first time he had received the newspaper men and in addition to the petroleum situation, he discussed the international commerce problem and other matters of importance at the present moment.

President Obregon declared himself as being in favor of federal control of education. He declared that vested rights must be protected. Steps will be taken by Mexico to meet the country's external debt, the president asserted, adding that he believed national credit must be established. In discussing general topics, General Obregon said he believed Argentina's withdrawal from the assembly of the league of nations was supported by the national tradition of that country.

NEW MEXICO TAKES ACTION
TO PREVENT INFILX ALIENS

SANTA FE, N. M., Jan. 21.—Steps to amend the constitution of New Mexico to prevent aliens from acquiring land in this state were taken in the senate today when Senator J. E. Reinburg, of Dona Ana county, introduced a resolution proposing the following amendment:

"Until otherwise provided by law no alien ineligible to citizenship under the laws of the United States, or corporation, co-partnership or association, a majority of the stock or interest in which is owned or held by such aliens, shall acquire title, lease, hold or other interest in or to real estate in New Mexico."

Under the constitution as now written, the legislature is powerless to bar aliens from holding land.

It is understood here that the amendment is aimed at Japanese who have been active in attempting to buy or lease land in the favored agricultural sections of the state.

THREE WOMEN HELD UP
ON WAY TO THEIR HOMES

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—Three young ladies, teachers in Tucson, were the victims in a daring hold-up that occurred Saturday evening on North 6th avenue, in front of the Market Inn, just below the railroad tracks.

Miss Elsie Holloway, Miss Hallie Leird and Miss Allen were the three young women whose purses were snatched by the thieves. A shot first at the running men by Patrolman Dwyer, at a distance, failed to stop them.

YOUTH DIES ON WAY TO
TUCSON FOR HIS HEALTH

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—While on a train enroute from Deming, N. M., to Tucson, where it was hoped the milder climate would benefit his condition, death came to George D. Ahearn, a tubercular sufferer Thursday.

GIRLS EXPECT BOYS
TO FURNISH AUTO
WOMAN HAS FOUND

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—No matter how fine a fellow he may be, the youth who cannot take a girl to a party in an automobile is not very popular, said Mrs. John Bennett, Jr., society leader, club woman and social service worker, in the course of an address today before the High School Parent-Teachers' Association.

Mrs. Bennett declared that as a social agency, the motor car had a detrimental effect on young people.

"When some of us were young," she added, "we walked to parties or went on street cars and carried our slippers in a 'party bag.'"

"It is true that some young people were allowed to go buggy riding, but the carriage was not turned over to the youth as the auto is and the horse could not carry one far beyond the confines of the city, while the motor car can carry our young people to the silence of the country districts or to the desert, where the sense of aloneness arouses the romance which is in every normal person."

WOMAN HEAVILY FINED FOR
KEEPING GIRL FROM SCHOOL

MIAMI, Ariz. Jan. 21.—That the fullest co-operation will be given by the county authorities in the program which has as its aim the bettering of the attendance records in the local schools, was evidenced Monday afternoon, at the trial of Mrs. D. Guzman, charged with negligence in the matter of compelling the attendance at school of her minor child. The woman received one of the severest sentences yet meted out in the local court for this offense, drawing a jail sentence of 50 days and a fine of \$50.

CHILD DROWNED IN WATER
TANK ON RODEO RANCH

DOUGLAS, Ariz. 21.—The baby son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Banta was drowned in a tank containing two feet of water, on the ranch of Mr. Bull, near Nodeno, N. M., yesterday afternoon, according to information received in Douglas last night. The child was two years old.

According to the information Mrs. Banta missed the child and a few minutes later found the little fellow in the wooden water tank. All efforts to revive him failed.

OFFICERS ARE CALLED
AND TAKE HIM TO JAIL

TUCSON, Jan. 22.—Chased about the house and yard by a maniac, who flourished a gun and vowed that he would take her life, was the unenviable experience of Mrs. Annie Ewing of 125 North Third avenue. The frightened woman finally took refuge in the house of a neighbor who locked the door, barring out the insane man.

A telephone call to the sheriff's office brought Deputies Tremaine and Sheehy, who took the man in charge.

LICENSE PLATES UP TO
27,000 ARE RECEIVED

PHOENIX, Jan. 21.—Secretary of State Ernest R. Hall today called attention of motorists throughout the state to the fact that motor license plates up to 27,500 had been available for the past 10 days and said there was no excuse for owners whose car numbers were below that mark not obtaining their plates at once. He asserted owners in outside counties were applying more rapidly than those of Maricopa county, and that he would have to take steps under the license law unless owners responded promptly.

BONDS MUST BRING PAR

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—A board of supervisors cannot sell bonds for less than par, according to an opinion rendered today by Attorney General W. C. Gairbairn on request of County Attorney F. M. Gold, of Coconino county. The opinion said supervisors selling bonds below par "would do so at their own peril."

MANY AUTO LICENSES

PHOENIX, Jan. 22.—Secretary of State Ernest Hall today deposited \$20,000 with the state treasurer as the week's receipts from motor licenses, making a total of \$50,000 which was being applied in reduction of an overdraft in the road tax fund, official said.